

## KEY EXCERPTS FOR HOME OCCUPATIONS

*Home occupations* means a business activity carried on in a dwelling in compliance with the provisions of the zoning regulations.

Home occupations are permitted as an Accessory Use within residential zoning districts with the following restrictions as outlined in the [Sugar Land, Texas Land Development Code](#):

### DEVELOPMENT CODE, CHAPTER 2 (ZONING) ARTICLE IV (ACCESSORY USES)

#### **Sec. 2-195 – Home Occupations**

(a) A Home Occupation is only permitted as an Accessory Use in a residential Dwelling if it meets the following conditions:

- (1) It is conducted wholly within the Principal Building;
- (2) It is not conducted within a Private Garage, whether attached or detached;
- (3) It does not depend on the employment of a person who does not reside in the residence;
- (4) A separate entrance is not provided for the conduct of the occupation;
- (5) An alteration is not made in the Dwelling that changes its character as a Dwelling Unit;
- (6) It does not use outdoor storage;
- (7) It does not involve more than 300 square feet of the area of the Dwelling Unit;
- (8) A Sign advertising the Home Occupation is not located on the premises;
- (9) It does not require the delivery or shipment of merchandise, goods, or equipment by other than passenger motor vehicles, three-quarter ton step-up van or similar sized trucks;
- (10) It does not create or cause any perceptible noise, odor, smoke, electrical interference or vibrations to emanate from the premises; and
- (11) It is conducted so that it does not create parking or traffic congestion or otherwise place an undue burden on the abutting or adjoining neighbors or the immediate neighborhood.

*(Ord. No. 1545, § 4, 10-2-07)*

*(This information is designed to summarize key regulations for Home Occupations in Sugar Land, TX. It is not a substitute for becoming familiar with all of the information within the City of Sugar Land Development Code or Code of Ordinances, which can be found online at [www.sugarlandtx.gov](http://www.sugarlandtx.gov).)*

## AT HOME CARE (IN RESIDENTIAL DISTRICTS)

### PERMITTED IN ALL RESIDENTIAL DISTRICTS:

*Child Care Home* means a private residence where [state licensed](#) care, protection, and supervision are provided, for a fee, at least twice a week to not more than six children at one time, including children of the adult provider, for less than 24 hours per day.

### PERMITTED IN ALL RESIDENTIAL DISTRICTS ONLY WITH THE APPROVAL OF A [CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT \(CUP\)](#):

*Child Care Center* means a facility, other than a public or private school, [licensed by the state](#) that provides, for less than 24 hours a day, care, training, education, custody, treatment or supervision for more than 6 children that are not related by blood, marriage, or adoption to the owner or operator of the facility.

Other related SIC classifications include:

- Child Day Care Services (SIC Code [8351](#))
- Residential Care (SIC Code [8361](#)), only in R-3 and R-4  
(Note: Group Homes are regulated by the State of Texas and permitted in all residential districts)

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